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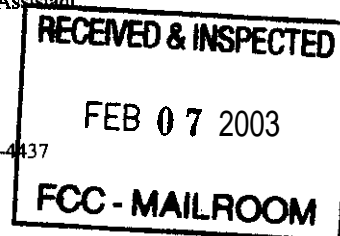
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The Honorable Michael K. Powell
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Dear Chairman Powell:

As the former President of Josephine County Title Company, which recently sold to First American Title, I am writing to urge you to approve Qwest's proposal to enter the long-distance telecommunications market. Communications are the key to future economic well-being in this century, and for smaller markets, the key to good communications infrastructure is not monopoly, but competition. The increase in competition will encourage efficient and effective communication systems that will help our small market with competitive rating and more current infrastructure. In turn this allows businesses who are communication dependent to consider the region for placement or expansion of their activities.

When I owned our company, one of the limitations that we faced in becoming more effective was the costs of communication infrastructure that would allow for consolidation of operations, off-site processing, and the like. With more offerings in the long distance market place, perhaps the next local enterprise will not have to align itself with a large national company in order to afford infrastructure.

Please approve Qwest's application. It will benefit individuals, businesses and the community.

Sincerely,


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